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SUBJECT: MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT EARLY WARNING: SPANISH MUNICIPAL
INTEREST IN ELECTRICAL POWER PLANT UTILIZING GARBAGE

REF STATE 26470; MADRID 638

1. MEMBER OF VALENCIA COUNCIL VISITED EMBASSY FEB 7 AND EXPRESSED DEEP APPRECIATION FOR INFORMATION PRESENTED DEPT'S REFTEL. HE AUTHORIZED EMBASSY TO REQUEST DEPT'S FURTHER RESEARCHING THIS SUBJECT WITH APPROPRIATE US FIRMS BUT DID ASK THAT HIS CITY NOT BE NAMED. DEPT MAY WISH TO INFORM CONTACTED FIRMS THAT THIS EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A SERIOUS INQUIRY FROM A SPANISH CITY AND THAT TECHNICAL INFORMATION RE PREPARATION OF GARBAGE AND POWER PLANT PROJECT SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THIS POST FOR PRESENTATION TO THE INQUIROR.

2. CITY OFFICIAL INFORMED COMMERCIAL OFFICE AMOUNT OF GARBAGE AVAILABLE AT PRESENT IS 450 TONS PER DAY WHICH IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE TO SOME 600 TONS A DAY WITHIN FIVE YEARS.

3. THE VISITING OFFICIAL SAID HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO VISIT THE US AFTER SUFFICIENT INFO RECEIVED FROM US TO ENABLE HIM TO DISCUSS THIS PROJECT WITH THE MAYOR AND OTHER CITY COUNCIL OFFICIALS AND OBTAIN THEIR AGREEMENT TO HIS US VISIT. CITY DOES NOT DESIRE PUBLICITY THIS TIME SINCE IT DOES NOT WISH TO ANNOY PRESENT WASTE COLLECTION CONTRACTORS.

4. EMBASSY APPRECIATES WASHINGTON AGENCIES' EXCELLENT COOPERATION
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THIS MATTER.

5. COMMERCIAL OFFICE HAUEBEEN INFORMED BY SICENCE ATTACHE THAT
US BUREAU OF MINES HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN COOPERATION WITH GOS
AGENCY RE MUNICIPAL WASTE DISPOSAL.
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